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- 25X1 1. In mid-October 1948, a new "secret weapon" was tested at Milovice. It
25X1 was a Russian "Katuša", mounted on a railroad car in such a manner that
25X1 ammunition was stored behind the armor plating of the car. The gun crews
rode on an adjacent car.
2. On each car two "Katušas" were mounted. They were loaded automatically and
fired electrically. Each "Katuša" had three sets of gun-barrels and each
set consisted of 6 barrels, so that both weapons had a total of 36 barrels.
3. This weapon very effectively covered an area 1 kilometer wide and 100 meters
deep. Trial shooting was carried out only to a distance of 6 kilometers
because of the limited space.
4. During the trials at Milovice, an order was issued to open all windows
because of the great concussions caused by the shooting.

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